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APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR INFRARED CALORIMETRIC MEASUREMENTS

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Cross-References

This application is based upon and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of the following U.S. Provisional Patent Applications, each of which is incorporated herein by reference: Serial No. 60/249,931, filed November 17, 2000; and Serial No. 60/256,852, filed December 19, 2000.

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. _____, filed January 17, 2001, titled APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR INFRARED CALORIMETRIC MEASUREMENTS, and naming Andy C. Neilson, Jay S. Teich, Michael R. Sweeney, James D. Orrell III, Marc Samson, John M. Hopkins, and Michael W. Oster as inventors.

Field of the Invention

The invention relates to calorimetry. More particularly, the invention relates to apparatus and methods for performing calorimetry that use optical devices to detect thermal processes and/or multiwell sample plates to support samples for use with such optical devices.

Background of the Invention

Thermodynamics has established the interrelationship between various forms of energy, including heat and work. Moreover, thermodynamics has quantified this interrelationship, showing, for example, that in chemical and physiological processes the difference between the energy of the products and the energy of the reactants is equal to